

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method of establishing a radio link at the interface between a base station and an access network controller in a mobile telecommunication network, comprising:

forming a request message for establishing the link by concatenating a message of the radio link control protocol ~~of the radio link~~ and a plurality of connection request messages of the transport control protocol on the link;

transmitting the request message by the access controller to the base station; and

receiving the response message sent back by the station,

wherein the radio link control protocol is the NBAP protocol and the transport control protocol is the ALCAP protocol.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 1, wherein forming the request message includes forming the request message with the number of connection request messages of the transport control protocol.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 1, further comprising forming a response message by concatenating a message of the radio link control protocol and a plurality of messages of the transport control protocol.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 3, wherein the mobile telecommunication network being the UMTS network and the interface being the Iub interface of the network, ~~the radio link control protocol is the NBAP protocol and the transport control protocol is the ALCAP protocol.~~

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 4, wherein forming the request message includes forming the request message with ALCAP ~~ALPCAP~~ protocol messages that are AAL2 connection request messages.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 4, wherein forming the response message includes forming the response message with ALCAP protocol messages that are AAL2 connection confirmation messages.

Claim 7 (New): A method of establishing a radio link at the interface between a base station and an access network controller in a mobile telecommunication network, comprising:
forming a request message for establishing the link by concatenating a message of the radio link control protocol, a plurality of messages of the transport control protocol, and a number of the plurality of messages of the transport control protocol;
transmitting the request message by the access controller to the base station; and
receiving the response message sent back by the station,
wherein the radio link control protocol is the NBAP protocol and the transport control protocol is the ALCAP protocol.

Claim 8 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 7, further comprising forming a response message by concatenating a message of the radio link control protocol and a plurality of messages of the transport control protocol.

Claim 9 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 8, wherein the mobile telecommunication network being the UMTS network and the interface being the Iub interface of the network.

Claim 10 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 9, wherein forming the request message includes forming the request message with ALCAP protocol messages that are AAL2 connection request messages.

Claim 11 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 9, wherein forming the response message includes forming the response message with ALCAP protocol messages that are AAL2 connection confirmation messages.

Claim 12 (New): A method of establishing a radio link at the interface between a base station and an access network controller in a mobile telecommunication network, comprising:
forming a request message for establishing the link by concatenating a message of the radio link control protocol and a plurality of messages of the transport control protocol;
transmitting the request message by the access controller to the base station;
forming a response message by concatenating a message of the radio link control protocol and a plurality of messages of the transport control protocol; and
receiving the response message sent back by the station.

Claim 13 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 12, wherein forming the request message includes forming the request message with the number of messages of the transport control protocol.

Claim 14 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 12, wherein the mobile telecommunication network being the UMTS network and the interface being the Iub interface of the network, the radio link control protocol is the NBAP protocol and the transport control protocol is the ALCAP protocol.

Claim 15 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 14, wherein forming the request message includes forming the request message with ALCAP protocol messages that are AAL2 connection request messages.

Claim 16 (New): The radio link establishment method according to Claim 14, wherein forming the response message includes forming the response message with ALCAP protocol messages that are AAL2 connection confirmation messages.